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### OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

The Ouachita National Forest, Caddo-Womble Ranger District, has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the 2017 Quartz Nominations Project. The project proposes to allow quartz exploration and mining operations on four tracts of land consisting of 56 acres in T1&2S R23&24W of Montgomery County, Arkansas. The proposed project is an activity implementing a land management plan and is subject to the pre-decisional objection process at 36 CFR 218

Subparts A and B. The EA is available on-line at:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54472>.

Documentation is also available for review at Caddo-Womble Ranger District office in Mount Ida, AR. Additional information can be obtained from: Andrew McCormick at 501-321-5285 or [andrewtmccormick@fs.fed.us](mailto:andrewtmccormick@fs.fed.us).

The opportunity to comment ends 30 days following the date of publication of this legal notice in the Arkansas Democrat Gazette. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments per § 218.2 regarding the proposed project or activity during a public comment period established by the responsible official are eligible to file an objection § 218.24(b)(6). For issues to be raised in objections, they must be based on previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity and attributed to the objector. The publication date of this legal notice in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit written comments on a proposed project or activity. The time period for the opportunity to comment on a proposed project or activity to be documented with an environmental assessment shall not be extended. It is the responsibility of all individuals and organizations to ensure that their comments are received in a timely manner.

Written comments must be submitted to: Shalonda Guy, District Ranger, 1523 Hwy 270 E, Mt. Ida AR 71957 or fax to (870) 867-3338. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc, .docx) to [comments-southern-ouachita-caddo-womble@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-southern-ouachita-caddo-womble@fs.fed.us). For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity must

either sign the comments or verify identity upon request § 218.24(b)(8). Please state “2017 Quartz Nominations Project” in the subject line when providing electronic comments, or on the envelope when replying by mail.